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July 1, 2013

Bill Grunloh
Chief Procurement Officer
Illinois Department of Transportation
Executive Ethics Commission
2300 S. Dirksen Pkwy
Room 200
Springfield, Illinois 62764

Re: 50-35 Potential Conflict of Interest, June 14, 2013, Item 235

Dear Mr. Bill Grunloh,

In accordance with the requirements of Section 50-35 of the Illinois Procurement Code, I have reviewed your request received June 28, 2013 and understand the facts to be as follows:

- The Illinois Department of Transportation has issued a request for a review and comment on potential conflicts of interest disclosed by Perry Broughton Trucking & Excavating, Inc.
- 2) The contract consists of construction and related services in Sangamon County.
- 3) Perry Broughton Trucking & Excavating, Inc was selected using Competitive Sealed Bidding.
- 4) The disclosure form submitted on behalf of Perry Broughton Trucking & Excavating, Inc indicates the following:
 - Rachel Broughton, President, has disclosed her daughter, Sarah Shike, is employed by the Illinois Institute of Rural Affairs & Management Department, Western Illinois University at Macomb. Her job title is Faculty Assistant.
- 5) The Illinois Department of Transportation confirmed that none of the disclosed individuals were in a position to influence the award of this contract. The Illinois Department of Transportation and CPO Bill Grunloh indicate that it would be in the best interest of the State to approve this conflict of interest due to the using agency's needs and the value of the contract.

Based on the foregoing, you are requesting my review and comment pursuant to the Illinois Procurement Code.

Review and Comment

After careful review of the documentation provided, I do not view the relationships disclosed above as creating a conflict of interest sufficient to preclude The Illinois Department of Transportation from entering into a contract with Perry Broughton Trucking & Excavating, Inc for the services outlined in your letter received June 28, 2013.

Sincerely

Aaron Carter
Executive Director

Cc: EEC General Counsel

June 28, 2013

Procurement Policy Board 222 South College Street, Suite 231 Springfield, IL 62704

RE: Conflict of Interest Disclosure – Perry Broughton Trucking & Excavating Inc., lowest responsible and responsive bidder for Item 235 from the June 14, 2013 letting

Dear Mr. Carter:

Attached is the potential conflict of interest form for Perry Broughton Trucking and Excavating, Inc. (Perry Broughton), who was the lowest responsible bidder that was also responsive for a construction contract advertised on the June 14, 2013 letting by the Department of Transportation. Letting Item 235 consists of construction related services in Sangamon County, and includes: drainage improvements, parking lot resurfacing and sidewalk repairs located at Lincoln's Tomb in Oak Ridge Cemetery in Springfield.

Perry Broughton was selected via competitively sealed bidding process. A description of the contract and low bid amounts are enclosed with this letter and conflict of interest checklist. This contract is in the Department's interests of maintaining safe roadways and bridges to ensure the safety of the motoring public.

Rachel Broughton, President, has disclosed her daughter, Sarah Shike, is employed by the Illinois Institute of Rural Affairs & Management Department, Western Illinois University at Macomb. Her job title is Faculty Assistant. This is being disclosed in response to Item 2(b) of the Form A Financial Interest Disclosure.

This conflict has been reviewed by our office, and it has been determined this is not an actual conflict and will not interfere in the execution of this contract.

If you have any questions concerning this request, please Jim Layden of the Bureau of Design and Environment, Plans and Contracts Unit, at 217-782-7806.

Sincerely.

Gretchen Tucka,

State Purchasing Officer

Enclosures

STATE OF ILLINOIS PROCUREMENT POLICY BOARD CONFLICT OF INTEREST REVIEW **CHECKLIST**

Please ensure that the following documents are included with your request:

- Cover letter with overview of the potential Conflict of Interest
- Conflict of Interest Review Request Form
- Copy of Proposed Contract*
- Any Prequalification Information Submitted by the Vendor
- Prior Procurement Policy Board/Office of the Governor Conflict of Interest Review Letter for this Vendor
- Copy of the Disclosure/Certification Documents Submitted by the Vendor

Please scan original documents** with signatures and email to:

aaron.carter@illinois.gov cc: deanna.rossetto@illinois.gov

If you are unable to scan and email the original signed documents, please send to:

Procurement Policy Board 222 South College Street, Suite 231 Springfield, IL 62704

**If you scan and email the original documents, please do not send the original documents to our office. Please keep the documents in your procurement file.

^{*}may be the proposed contract sent in with a RFP response, a copy of the solicitation response, etc.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST REVIEW REQUEST FORM

The following information must be filled in as accurately and completely as possible. This form will be sent to the Procurement Policy Board providing essential information needed to review and determine if an actual conflict of interest exists, which is sufficient to preclude the State from entering into the attached proposed contract pursuant to section 50-35(d) of the Illinois Procurement Code.

CONTRACTING AGENCY INFORMATION

Using Agency:

Department of Transportation

Address:

2300 South Dirksen Parkway

City/State:

Springfield, IL

Contact Person:

Jim Layden

Title:

Chief Contracts Official

Phone:

217,782,7806

Fax

217.785.1141

Email:

Jim.Layden@iillinois.gov

VENDOR INFORMATION FOR VENDOR WITH POTENTIAL CONFLICT

This Vendor is:

☐ Sub-contractor

Name of Vendor:

Perry Broughton Trucking and Excavating, Inc.

Áddress:

1227 W. Enos Avenue

City/State:

Springfield, IL

Contact Person:

Rachel Broughton

Title:

President

Phone:

217-793-0262

Fax:

217-793-4049

Email:

pbteoffice@sbcglobal.net

Procurement Bulletin Reference Number:

Letting Item 235

Date Posted to Bulletin:

5/10/2013

CONTRACT INFORMATION

Describe the need for this procurement or proposed contract: This project consists of drainage improvements, parking lot resurfacing and sidewalk repairs located at Lincolns Tomb in Oak Ridge Cemetery in Springfield

Total Contract Amount (Estimate if actual is unknown):

\$ 216,428.06

Upon authorization to proceed is received. Department has 45 Days to

Contract Begin Date:

Award from the date of the Letting.

Contract End Date:

50 Working Days

Describe any Renewal Options (i.e. One 2-year Option): No.

PROCUREMENT PROCESS

What was the method of procurement used to select this vendor? Competitive Sealed Bidding

If this vendor was selected using a competitive process, how many vendors responded to the bid? 1

Were any vendors disqualified? No.

If yes, please explain why.

If a multiple award, how many vendors were awarded a contract? No

Were there any instances of low vendor rejections? No

If yes, please explain why.

EXPLANATION OF POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Rachel Broughton has disclosd her daughter, Sarah Shike is employed by the Illinois Institute of Rural Affairs & Management Department, Western Illinois University at Macomb. Her job title is Faculty Assistant. If a prime vendor, did they disclose their use of lobbyists?

Yes

No If yes, did the lobbyists lobby on behalf of the vendor to secure this contract?

Yes PROVIDE A WRITTEN STATEMENT SIGNED BY THE AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE FOR YOUR AGENCY STATING: Is the conflict an actual conflict and whether or not any of the above named individual(s) were in a position to influence the State's award of this contract. No this is not an actual conflict. Rachel's daughter is not in a position to influence IDOT Construction Procurement. Why is it in the best interest of the State to proceed with this contract. This is for patching, resurfacing and assorted improvements to the roads alongside a State Facility and tourist attraction. This is in line with the Department's mission. AGENCY/UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE 6/28/2013 Michael Layden Agency/University Representative Printed Name Agency/University Representative Date \$ignature 217.782.7806 jim.layden@illinois.gov Agency/University Representative Email Address Agency/University Representative Telephone CPO SIGNATURE REQUIRED Bill Grunloh 6/28/2013 CPO Signature **CPO Printed Name** Date

bill.grunloh@illinois.gov

CPO Email Address

For each individual identified as causing a potential conflict of interest, include the following information: name, relationship (if applicable), Agency of State employment, start date, job title and responsibilities. Indicate if any of the named individuals earn more

than \$106,447.20 and explain the potential conflict of interest.

217.558.5434

CPO Telephone Number